ENHANCE 150% LIST PUBLIC COMMENTS

E1: CRESCENT CONNECTION:
CEDAR HILLS BLVD TO DENNEY ROAD

SUPPORTING COMMENTS

PROTECTING YOUR RIGHT TO ROAM

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SUBJECT: Oregon Walks comments on 150% Enhance Projects

Oregon Walks, formerly the Willamette Pedestrian Coalition, has been advocating since 1991 to create walkable communities and to make the conditions for walking safe, convenient, and attractive for everyone.

Oregon Walks volunteers on the Plans and Projects Committee have reviewed the projects on the 150% recommendations for potential "Enhance" STIP funding. We are pleased to see many applications for Streetscape and Bicycle/Pedestrian Connectivity projects, and we strongly support funding as many of those as possible.

We especially support funding of projects that provide access to transit and to other destinations that have the potential to attract many pedestrians, including those that improve pedestrian crossings on busy arterials, and those that serve vulnerable populations including the young, the old, the poor, and minority populations. We also support projects that fill gaps in the sidewalk system and those that overcome barriers often found near freeway interchanges. Our priorities are based on the research documented in the Oregon Walks publication Getting Around on Foot.

Based on those considerations, Oregon Walks urges funding of the following projects:

E1 – Beaverton Crescent Connection (Cedar Hills to Denney Road)
E13 – King City Sidewalk Infill
E18 – Molalla OR Hwy 211 Bike and Ped. Safety Enhancements
E21 – Portland Cully Blvd
E22 – Portland Downtown I-405 Pedestrian Safety and Operational Improvements
E29 – Portland SE Foster Rd. Safety ad Sidewalk Enhancement Project
E40 – Sandy US 26 sidewalks (Ten Eyck Rd/Wolf Rd to Vista Loop)
E 53 – Clackamas County Otty St – 82nd Ave Realignment
E84 – Barbur Blvd/99W Corridor Safety and Access to Transit
E86 – Hwy 8 Corridor Safety and Access to Transit

We appreciate this opportunity to comment,

Oregon Walks
Plans and Projects Committee